

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2006, each one of the cited references has been reviewed, and the rejections and objections made to the claims by the Examiner have been considered. The claims presently on file in the above-identified application are believed to be patentably distinguishable over the cited references, and therefore allowance of these claims is earnestly solicited.

In order to render the claims more clear and definite and to emphasize the patentable novelty thereof, claims 1, 5, 13-18, 21-24, 26,29, and 32-35 have been cancelled without prejudice and new claims 36 - 55 have been added.

Therefore, all claims presently on file in the subject application are in condition for immediate allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

New Claims

New independent claims 36, and 52 and their associated dependent claims and new independent claim 55 have been added and such claims are drawn to a protective attachment. Attorney for applicant has amended the claims of this application so that they are proper and definite by employing the language found in the specification as filed and which claims define novel structure which is not anticipated by the prior art of record nor made obvious by the prior art of record. If, for any reason this application is not believed to be in full condition for allowance, attorney for applicant respectfully request the constructive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner pursuant to M.P.E. P 2173.02 and 707.07(j) in order to place the application in allowable condition as soon as possible and without the need for further proceedings.

Therefore, all claims presently on file in the subject application, which includes claims 36-55 inclusive, are in condition for immediate allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Objections to the Specification

Following the helpful suggestion of the examiner, attorney for applicant has amended paragraph [0001] of the specification as originally published in order to avoid any confusion regarding the earlier changes and amendments to this paragraph. Attorney for applicant believes that paragraph [0001] is now in proper order.

Conclusion

Attorney for Applicant has carefully reviewed each one of the cited references made of record and not relied upon, and believes that the claims presently on file in the subject application patentably distinguish thereover, either taken alone or in combination with one another.

Therefore, all claims presently on file in the subject application are in condition